# BEATEN BY NEGRO, WOMAN RECOUNTS FIGHT FOR LIFE

## Grapples With Man in Kitchen After Being Cut With Stones.

Beaten about the face and head with Ida Jost, owner of a dairy at Langdon, D. C., today lies at her home in an almost hysterical condition from the horrible experience through which she

The negro who is believed to have committed the assault is confined in Freedman's Hospital from the effects of poison which he is said to have taken a short time after the affair, presumably with suicidal intent. He has been iden-

with suicidal intent. He has been identified by one of Mrs. Jost's employes as the negro whom she says attacked her. Back of the woman's terrifying ordeal is her expressed belief that the negro in reality planned another crime in addition to the taking of her life, but abandoned it during the rough and tumble struggle which the two had in Mrs. Jost's house, where she lives alone.

### Woman Tells of Fight.

Mrs. Jost, although in a highly nex vous condition, told of the assault this morning when seen by a Times reporter, her story being a most graphic and pit!

been employed by me recently during the absence of another employe. A few days ago I discharged him, having no further use for his services. Since that time he has been back several times to beg me to give him further employ ment, which I could not do on account of having sufficient help.

"Jest night within two minutes after my regular boy had gone, I heard a knock upon the tack door which I answered. It was John Howard. He came in, and while I did the usual kitchen chores he talked about my taking him back, saying that he needed money for Christmas. After awhile I sat down on the other side of the stove, the boy continuing to talk on a number of subjects.

Hurls Stones at Woman,

"I had almost begun to doze when I was startled by something striking the floor. I jumped up, asking the negro what the noise meant. He replied by hurling another stone at me, which caught me on the scalp, cutting a long gash. I begar to scream, and at this he advanced across the room, grabbing milk bottles and cups as he came, all of which he hurled at me.

"As I reached the window he caught me about the throat and began to choke and beat me. The blood was pouring from my wounds, and I, confident that death was near, continued to scream. We struggled against the window, breaking out the pane. The mean all this time was commanding me to hush and telling me with every horid breath that he had come to kill me and intended to do it.

Clinches With Negro.

"We struggled for minutes—I flon't know how long—it seemed years.]

Shall never forget the horrible look upon

shall never forget the horrible look up his black face during the entire time At last by what seemed superhuma strength I got to the kitchen door. He followed me out on the porch and again began to choke me and beat me with his fists. I escaped again and slammed the door in his face, bolting it. He then rushed around the house and tried to enter through the dining room window. Finding it too small for his body, he huiled another milk bottle through it, which cut a gash in the plastering across the room.

"About this time I rushed out the back way, screaming for help and as the neighbors were already coming he did not follow me any further than the back porch. He then escaped in the darkness, while I was taken to the home of Mrs. Norris, about 200 yards away."

Shows Stones That Cut Her. strength I got to the kitchen door. He

### Shows Stones That Cut Her.

Mrs. Jost exhibited one of the stones this morning which she says the negro brought in his pockets. The police have another which was picked up in the room. They are both nearly as large as

room. They are both nearly as large as an ordinary man's fist and rough and jagged in appearance. A gash on Mrs. Jost's head, about four inches in length which was dressed by a physician last night, indicates the force with which they were hurled.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning a negro known as John Howard was found in a bathroom at the Madrid apartment house, suffering from an overdose of ammonia. Tallying with the woman's description of her assallant in name and other details, he was removed to the hospital. This morning his cousin, Shepard Howard, employed by the woman, called at the hospital and identified him as being the one who had worked for Mrs. Jost.

He is in a critical condition from the effects of the poison, but will be immediately placed under arrest if he recovers.

# PHILADELPHIA GAR MEN DEMAND ARBITRATION

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23 .- "We are floing everything possible to avoid a strike of employes of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company. There will be no strike before Christmas, and if we can help it there will be none at all. We do not want a strike—what we want is to have the company consent to subis to have the company consent to submit all our differences to arbitration, and we still hope this well be done."

This is the way P. J. Shea, international vice president of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employes today sized up the traction situation. He expects to meet officers of the company this afternoon, and a plan of arbitration may be worked out,

### GIRL KISSES BURGLAR; THINKS HE IS FATHER

PITTSBURG, Dec. 23.—Only partly awakened and merely opening her eyes, seventeen-year-old Mary McDonald of Ontario street, said drowsily, "Is that you, father? Good night," and, faintly planting a good-night kiss somewhere on the shadowy face that was bent over her, turned around and again dropped off to sleep.

A few minutes later a passing policoman interrupted a roughly clad strang-

A few minutes later a passing policoman interrupted a roughly clad stranger making his way out of the McDonald home in his stocking feet. The household was aroused. The stranger had sacked the young girl's room, removing \$200 worth of jewelry. "When she called me 'father' I ducked," said the thief, Joseph Ward, who is only twenty-five, when he pleaded guilty before the magistrate. fore the magistrate,

# RELICS OF SPANISH GRANDEE FOUND IN TEXAS MOUNTAINS NEAR THE SITE OF NEW CITY

stones, milk bottles, and bare fists by a of a bridle. Many of these pieces are negro she had recently discharged, Mrs. rudely carved and engraved. Among rudely carved and engraved. Among the relics are a variety of chains attached to large silver earrings; at the end of these chains dangle small silver

army, with the avowed purpose of dis-covering the mines from which the Az-sweet, and pure. The land is a rich loam, tecs secured the large quantities of gold mixed with sand. It grows cotton, corn and silver everywhere in evidence. His wheat, pats, alfalfa, and mile maize. journey was continued north and across the Rio Grande, then up through this portion of Texas and clear up into the plains of Kansas. The point where these silver relics were uncovered is a wild rough and most outcovered is a wild rough and most outcovered is a wild, rough and most picturesque spot.

### New City Begun.

About three miles away nestles a new, rapidly-growing town named after the owner of the ranch. Post City is located in a beautiful spot and is being

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it was so went to a doctor who treated him for three months.

Then he was so bad that his face and head were nothing but one sore and his ears looked as if they were going to fall

were going to fall off, so we tried another doctor. He said he could cure him and

When my son Walter was three weeks

old, eczema appeared on his face. We did not know what

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About two pounds and a half of silver trimmings of the bridle, saddle, and clothing of some Spanish grandee or officer of Coronado's army was found hidden away in a small, dry cave up among the almost inaccessible rocks on the 200,000-acre ranch belonging to C. W. Post, in Garza county, Tex., about 250 miles west of Fort Worth.

There are disks of silver about three inches in diameter, and smaller disks, evidently intended for the head piece of a bridle. Then there are various long strips intended to cover the straps of a bridle. Many of these pieces are rudely carved and engraved. Among the relies are a variety of chains at the relies are a variety of chains at

### First Bale of Cotton In.

The first bale of cotton was brought crosses and crescents.

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recessary for the control and the farms sold in small payments down, and monthly payments extended over a term of years, makes it possible for a man of small, means, if industrious, to acquire home.

rapidly-growing town named after the owner of the ranch. Post City is located in a beautiful spot and is being built up, most of the buildings being of light gray sandstone.

Settlers are coming in and being located on the farms which Mr. Post cut out of the big ranch. He builds for the farmers, houses, out-buildings, puts in an orchard on each farm.

Post City is managed not by a board of aldermen, but by a board of aldermen, but by a board of aldermen, but by a board of commissioners; and all public affairs are

### Ists and Isms Puget Sound Run Unbridled Easy Prey to 'Round Wilson Hostile Ship

"A second-class cruiser could enter Puget Sound on a foggy day and blow Seattle and Tacoma to smithereens." This was the startling statement made to the President today by Representative Humphrey of Washington. Mr.

tive Humphrey of Washington. Mr. Humphrey called to talk with the Executive about the subject of fortifying the Pacific coast harbors, and the President isked him to write out a statement showing what is needed to place the coast of Washington in fit shape to rejed a possible attack.

"Tie state of unpreparedness in Puget Sound is something appalling," said Mr. Humphrey. "The entrance to the sound is three and a half miles across, and in forgy weather or at right even a second-class cruiser could enter with safety and blow Seattle and Tacoma to smithereens. The water is so deep in the sound entrance that mines could not be placed there, and the only possible way to defend it would be by terpedo boats and submarines. At present there are not half enough men to man even the obsolete fortifications there. These consist of three very weak forts that would prove of mighty little value in an emergency."

Ion of the law. "Why did you do it, Betsy?" queried the court.

"Ah went into a place to get mahself in mah beer," replied Betsy.

"Contemptible trick," sympathized the judge. "Because it was such a mean trick I'm going to fine you only to offiteen days."

PROMINENT PHYSICIAN DEAD.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—Dr. Henry Patterson Loomis is dead from pneumonia, dafter an illness of five days. He was born in New York in 1859 and was professor of therapeutics and clinical medicine at Cornell University, and former president of the American Academy of Medicine.

HUMPINE CHUDCH DADTY

### SUNRISE CHURCH PARTY.

Calvary Baptist Church Christian En-deavor Society will hold a sunrise party in the church, Eighth and H streets northwest, at 7 o'clock Christmas morn-ing. Members of other societies and the public are invited to attend the services.



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### Carelessness Theme of Prosecutor Turner in Scathing Address.

"Had the crew of train No. 2120 stopped at Randolph for two minutes to nquire as to the absence of a light here when one should have been displayed, scores of hearts that were rushed at Terra Cotta on that fearful ight would be beating today."

Such was the opening remark of Assistant District Attorney Charles Turner in his argument for the prosecution against Engineer Hildebrand, Conductor Hoffmeier and Flagman Rutter, of the train which killed fifty-two persons on last New Year Eve. Carelessness was the theme of Mr.

Turner's argument, and he arraigned the accused men in scathing terms, employing the most vitriolic words.

Attorney Charles Bendheim, assisting Attorney Davis in the defense, argued that blame for the wreck might well be placed on the shoulders of higher officials, and argued as to the reasonable doubt of the guilt of the men at he bar, Mr. Bendheim concluded his argu

Mr. Bendheim concluded his argu-ment at 12 o'clock. Justic; Stafford took a recess until 12:45 o'clock, when Attorney Davis began the final argu-ment for the defeuse. District Attor-ney Baker, who was severely injured in the wreck and hobbled three-quarters of a mile to get assistance for the other victims, will close the case for the gov-ernment. It is expected the case will be given to the jury for consideration this after-

# SNUFF IN HER BEER; SHE SNEEZES \$5 WORTH

Betsy Ross, not the maker of the first American flag, but a diminutive colored voman, was sent to the workhouse for two weeks by Judge Mullowny in the Police Court today.

"What was she doing?" asked the judge of the policeman in the case. "Screaming and yelling 'police' and nelp' at Twenty-fourth street and Pennsylvania avenue," replied the min-ion of the law.
"Why did you do it, Betsy?" queried

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# JAN. 6 WITHOUT FAIL

NEW YORK, Dec. 23.—The district attorney's office today made the positive statement that the trial of Harry Kendall Thaw for the murder of Stanford White will be gin January 6. The matter came up when the trial of Alderman Henry Clay Peters, accused of accepting a bribe, was called. Assistant District Attorney Smyth asked that it be put over indefinitely. "We will be busy with the Thaw trial in two weeks." he declared, "and as we intend to let nothing interfere with it, we are not ready to proceed with this trial."

Peters objected to being compelled to wait for the Thaw trial to end. Justice Dowling issued an order, and the case went on.

### POISONS DOG WITH CORKS.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. ??.—Owners of dogs in this city are complaining to the police of attempts being made to poison their pets. The recent method of the dog poisoner, it is said, is to fry a cork in fat, which is fed to the animal. The cork produces fatal sickness.

# Hungry As a Bear and Can't Eat

If, When Mealtime Comes, You Suf-fer From a Yes-Not Kind of Hunger, You're a Dyspeptic.



A good many people get mad when you tell them they've got dyspepsia, but way down deep in their stomachs they know they've got it.

"I'd love to eat it, but I can't," is one kind of dyspepsia.

"I hate to think of it." is another kind. There are thousands of people today who hate their meals, and love them at the same time. They haven't that fine empty-hungry eat-everything-in-sight kind of feeling which goes with every good, strong healthy stomach. That's because they have dyspepsia. And then there are others whose mouths don't water at meal time or at any other time. They sit at the table and go through the motions, only because it's time to eat. These people, too, are dyspeptics.

Every possible kind of stomach trouble.

through the motions, only because it's time to eat. These people, too, are dyspeptics.

Every possible kind of stomach trouble can be cured-by taking something which will just take right hold of all the food in your stomach and digest it alone without the help of the stomach, and let the stomach take a rest.

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Every article in our store which bears the slightest relation to the holiday season is to be disposed of by tomorrow night closing time. Decisive reductions have been made for a clean sweep-and eleventh hour buyers are offered countless opportunities to secure Christmas presents at wonderfully low prices.

There are big bargains in almost every department—so radical that everyone who has gifts yet to select will be here tomorrow. If possible, come during the morning hours, before the rush commences. To facilitate our delivery service, we ask that you take small packages with you.

# All Toys Reduced

When the last horn blows to morrow night the store must be emptied of its entire stock of toys. We have put prices on what remain that will make clearance certain and absolute. Assortments are fairly complete-but don't put off coming a minute longer than

Iron Velocipedes, with adjustable seat and handle bars, at

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Girls' Sleighs, nicely finished and strongly made; steel runners, at 69c, 98c, \$1.39

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Automobiles

\$3.50, \$4.50, \$5.98, \$6.98 Shoenhut Pianos, in white 39c and cherry, with 3 keys, at.... \$5.00 Reed Go-Carts, like illustra-tion, with reclining back, uphoister-ed seat, steel axle, steel \$3.98 Good-size Hand Cars, with all steel gearing and chain sprocket, and 1/2-inch rubber tires. \$4.50

Children's Highly Finished Rockers, with cane seat and carved back. Like the illustration. Tomorrow at.... \$1.39 Children's Hardwood Rockers, up-holstered in plush. Tomorrow 980

All-wicker Rockers, strongly made and nicely finished. Regu- 89c lar price \$1.25..... Humpty Dumpty Circus of 11 pieces. Nicely polished and finished. The animals and clown can be made to do all sorts \$2.25 Iron Express Wagons, \$1.00 neatly painted, steel wheels

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At \$1.98

At \$3.25 Worth \$5 and \$5.50

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Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, etc., in ebonoid, ebony, coco bola, silverplated, celluloid, and fancy metals, are marked at greatly reduced prices to close out by tomorrow night.

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# **Hand Painted Placques**

500 and 75c hand-painted Placques, in handsome flowered subjects. Reduced to.....39c 

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At Clearance Prices Maribou Boas, in black and natural colors. We've taken our entire stock and marked it at the

following reductions: Was \$4.00, now....\$2.50 Was \$5.50, now.....\$3.50 Was \$7.50, now.....\$4.50 (Neckwear Dept.)

# Women's Neckwear Half Price

Another lot of Neckwear, consisting of "Fluffy Ruffles" Jabots, in all colors, also Liberty Silk Jabots, extra full and fuffy, in all colors. Reduced from